

**CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COLUMN**

ITEMS TO FILL THIS COLUMN REQUESTED FROM FRIENDS OF THE MOVEMENT

**BYE HABITS.**

By Irma T. Jones.

Some one has said that neatness is a habit of the eyes. If this be true, it is a habit which can be strengthened, the earlier in life the better. Love of beauty is a companion habit, which, if not learned in childhood, is not likely to be acquired later. Were all parents thoughtful and careful enough to implant these two traits in the character of their children, many problems of later life would be solved in advance, and homes and city streets wear a new aspect. Love of beauty in one's mind grows by exercise, if a child gains the seeing eye, with a responsive heart early in life, an avenue of pleasure is opened to him which grows more and more charming as years go by.

Even from a material point of view a habit of neatness and an appreciation of the beautiful are an advantage. Though one disregards the appeal of the esthetic, it pays to insist upon neatness until it has become so strong an eye-habit that, unconsciously, a person maintains it in all his surroundings. The movement undertaken in recent years for village improvement are doing much to establish correct eye-habits among all classes, and deserve the hearty encouragement of every local man or woman in our country. Genuine and hearty love of true beauty is one of the most effective antidotes to evil that can be prescribed. The boy or girl who has this love well implanted in the heart has an almost invulnerable armor of defense against vulgarity, and a source of unspeakable comfort when the trials of maturity come upon the life like a flood.

Already the work of demolishing the old Twilight building has changed the aspect of that corner and when it is finished and the debris removed, it will look like another lot and its value be enhanced thereby.

The membership committee of the Civic Improvement League of Astoria

**LIGHTNING KILLS TWO MEN.**

DENVER, June 30.—George Sperling, of Graham, Mo., and George Bates of San Francisco, were instantly killed by a bolt of lightning on a ranch four miles north of Arvada. The foreman of the ranch was about to call them to dinner, when the lightning struck them. When he recovered from the shock he rushed to the two men to find them partly charred and stiff. Both men were strangers in Colorado.

**LEATHER COMPANIES COMBINE.**

NEW YORK, June 30.—Plans are being considered, according to the Herald's special dispatch from Philadelphia, for a consolidation of the glazed kid leather interests, including

will canvass the city for membership signatures, the fee is only 25 cents, and your promised interest in the work of the League all should give this cheerfully.

**THE TOWN'S OPPORTUNITY.**

By Charles Mulford Robinson.

III. Co-operation. It is not enough, if a man would make the most of an opportunity, that he sees it and plan to turn it to account. So, with a town, though these are first, essential steps, work must always follow. The town's work must be co-operative, and organization is only the preparation for it. It is like a man making up his mind, forming a resolution, before all his faculties marshaled, he throws his whole self into the task. Co-operation, then, is the next step for the town to consider. That the public-spirited organizer is going to do most of the work of making the town more attractive, beautiful, wholesome, pleasant to live in, should be nobody's opinion—least of all his own. But neither are the committees to do most of the work. They are merely to see that, in the co-operation of the residents, this or that certain phase, special subdivision, of the universal improvement effort is faithfully attended to.

The point, therefore, to be emphasized, promptly, is that, as neither the organizer nor the committees, so not even does the society, pursue to do all the work. At best, it should be looked upon as reaching more than a central, directing bureau. Its members have no exclusive proprietorship, with the accompanying sole responsibility. The town does not belong to the society, but the society to the town. Its purpose is to galvanize the latent public spirit, to set it all to work—as one great, joyous, co-operating brotherhood, zealous for the common good, which is the good of all; each man, woman and child persuaded to do a share, to bear a part—whether through the society or outside of it is of little consequence, so the work be done effectually.

factories in Philadelphia, Wilmington, New York and Lynn, Mass. It is said a new corporation will be organized in a few weeks with a capital of \$50,000,000. There are about 50 factories in the proposed combination and the yearly production exceeds \$25,000,000.

**NORTHFIELD CONFERENCE.**

NEW YORK, June 30.—The first Sunday of the students' conference of the Northfield season was disappointing on account of the inclement weather, says a Tribune dispatch from East Northfield, Mass. There were three services besides the various delegation meetings which were held in the different buildings. The sermon of the morning was delivered by Professor Harry C. King, of Oberlin college. "Facing the Facts of Life," was the subject of the address.

**PRESIDENT'S BOAT READY.**

Has Undergone Alterations and Is Now the Most Luxurious Vessel Afloat.

NEW YORK, June 30.—Trim as a summer girl in her daintiest bathing suit, the Mayflower lies in the Brooklyn navy yard, the official yacht of the United States and ocean home of President Roosevelt. In her new function, after undergoing alterations that cost \$50,000, she is ready for sea as one of the most luxuriously appointed vessels afloat. She was commissioned Saturday, but the date of her sailing from the navy yard has not yet been settled. Of the new Mayflower all the officers of the navy yard are proud as they feel she will be a fitting residence for the chief executive when social or naval regulations call upon him to fly his flag afloat. In designing such a palace for use by the president, the United States departs somewhat from Jeffersonian simplicity and takes her place among the other world powers in the matter of naval luxury. Neither the Hohenzollern nor any other royal yacht has state rooms and saloons more costly or beautiful than those of the president's yacht.

In the four weeks just passed the Mayflower has been refitted and refurnished completely from stem to stern. The president's quarters are situated aft on the main deck and include six staterooms for the exclusive use of him, Mrs. Roosevelt and their children. The two larger of these staterooms have been very lavishly furnished. Special attention has been given to the decoration of the bulkheads and the paneling, which is covered with expensive silk in many colors. The smoking room occupies the after portions of the spare deck and is finished in teak, with a floor of fancy woods inlaid and waxed. Many cane sofas and chairs add to the comfort to be had in this room. Behind the officers' quarters, below the main deck, is the president's dining saloon. It extends the width of this subject and furnished in white and gold. Louis

XIV, style. Running aft is the companion way to the president's reception room. Some of the panels along this companion way are made of valencienne lace, painted over with a silver paint to represent steel. The reception room the white and gold effect is still carried out.

Leading down to the berth deck aft is a magnificent mahogany stairway that gives entrance to the private apartments. There are two large staterooms and two bath rooms. The tub is cut from a solid block of fine marble. Besides the comforts made for the comfort of the president and family in the living and sleeping apartments aboard, extensive plans were made to give him the benefit of the most improved culinary and sanitary contrivances.

There is a large refrigerating plant in the forward part of the ship, near the dining saloon. Nothing has been left undone to make the Mayflower a fit habitation for the ruler of a wealthy nation.

Before the Spanish-American war the Mayflower was the property of Mrs. Ogden Goelt. It had been built for her husband on the Clyde at a cost of \$800,000. When Mr. Goelt died, his widow at one time contemplated selling the yacht to the king of the Belgians. At the outbreak of the war the Mayflower was bought as a torpedo boat destroyer at a cost of \$40,000. The vessel is 321 feet over all, 275 feet on the water line.

When Governor Allen was sent to Porto Rico he was given the Mayflower after she had been outfitted at considerable expense as his official yacht. The Mayflower, which now replaces the Dolphin, is under command of Lieutenant-Commander Gleeves.

**COST OF THE BOER WAR.**

It has been generally conceded that England would eventually conquer the Boer forces in South Africa, but when the end comes she will find the cost to have reached an enormous figure. There are many persons who also spend large sums of money in a vain search for health. They take all kind of medicines, which at the best only give temporary relief, and the patient is as far from recovery as at the start. The result is different with those who use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters for indigestion, dyspepsia, heartburn, constipation, biliousness, insomnia or malaria, fever and ague. It positively cures. Hundreds of persons have said so, and many prominent physicians and druggists always recommend it. Be sure to try it. Our Private Stamp is over the neck of the bottle.

**DISCHARGED SOLDIER DIES.**

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Col., June 30.—John McGuire, of Steubenville, O.,

a discharged soldier, from the Philippines, who was returning home was taken violently ill between Newcastle and Glenwood. He was removed from the train here, but died before medical aid could be summoned. The body was taken in charge by two companions, who will accompany it to Steubenville.

**TO INTEREST EXHIBITORS.**

NEW YORK, June 30.—Henry J. Thurber, Jr., of Chicago, president of the International Olympian Association, is in the city on his way to Europe, where he hopes to interest the representatives of leading nations in the exhibition which is to be held in Chicago in 1904 under the auspices of which he is the executive head. He is accompanied by John Payne, Laverne W. Noyes and Benjamin Rosenthal, members of the board of directors. Through the courtesy of the president and secretary of state, we have, said Mr. Thurber, "letters to the ambassadors and other diplomatic representatives of the United States abroad which no doubt will be of assistance to us in foreign governments in the military feature of the exhibition. While in Europe we shall try to see high officials of Germany, France, Great Britain, Belgium and Italy."

**SUFFICIENT WATER FROM TRAIN.**

DENVER, June 30.—Reports from Reservoirs at Mount Colorado are that Saturday's train provided enough water to fill nearly all of them and to insure water enough to make the crops certain in all except a few localities. The damage from hail was comparatively light.

**TREASURY INCREASE.**

NEW YORK, June 30.—For the fiscal year ending today, New Jersey's state treasury will show a balance of \$2,688,202, which means nearly a half million increase over that of last year. The large amounts received the last month in taxes and from trusts chartered in 1901, make up this increase. The taxes of the big corporations foot up considerably more than \$2,000,000 annually.

**WILL JOIN HELENA TEAM.**

HELENA, June 30.—Eddie Holly, who has been playing in the California League, arrived last night to join the Helena team and will play third base for the Senators. Saxe, the Chicago amateur who was signed for this position, has been released and it is said that McGilligan, who has been playing third, is slated for a like fate, although McGilligan may be kept as an emergency man.

**COMMITTS SUICIDE OVER DEBTS.**

Son of a Well-Known Washington Physician Grows Despondent.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., June 30.—Ernest M. Gray, son of George W. Gray, a well-known physician and surgeon in Washington, D. C., committed

suicide by shooting himself in the breast with a revolver. Gray was about 35 years of age. He has been a resident of this state for a number of years at Aspen and Cripple Creek. He was engaged in mining here and became despondent over the fact that he was in debt and could not meet his payroll was the cause of his act. His remains will be taken to Washington.

**BIKCYCLERS' NOTICE!**

All persons owning bicycles both, male and female, who intend participating in the illuminated parade on the evening of July 4 are respectfully requested to register at headquarters Monday. Illuminations will be supplied. L. E. SELIG, Secretary.

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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, May 24, 1902.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Clatsop County, at Astoria, Oregon, on July 5, 1902, viz: Benjamin H. Hanson, H. E. No. 15072 for the W<sup>1/2</sup> of W<sup>1/2</sup> of Section 12, T. 5 N. R. 9 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James Burke, of Seaside, Oregon; John Finley, of Astoria, Oregon; John Chitwood, of Astoria, Oregon; Herman Ahlers, of Push, Oregon.

CHAR. B. MOORER, Register.

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